# Christopher R. Culpepper

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CAREER **OBJECTIVE** 

To continue my career in Electrical or Computer Engineering: designing electronic hardware, working in the RF domain, or creating embedded software, preferably in the aerospace or subsurface domain.

**EXPERIENCE** 

Senior Electrical Engineer (Previous Systems Engineer and Co-op)

July 2013 - Present

General Dynamics Mission Systems, Pittsfield MA

- Developed and executed evaluation and qualification tests for inherited hardware
- Performed integration and repair operations on legacy hardware
- Performed tasking at customer locations and pre-deployment locations
- Go-to person in the lab to diagnose and troubleshoot weird hardware and installation issues
- Performed software and systems testing on high-integrity mission-critical software

Test Engineer Co-op

January 2016 - May 2016

Space Exploration Technologies, Hawthorne CA

- Designed and built hardware to test bias-T HD cameras
- Created software to automate the creation of trouble reports
- Developed tests to test flight avionics hardware
- Troubleshot issues with avionics test racks

#### **PROJECTS**

#### 24 Hours of Lemons Racecar

- Procured \$500 racecar, and gathered 5 person team
- Personally designed and worked together with team to build roll cage to specifications
- Operated under strict deadlines to complete car
- Organized and managed team of 5 people to help build car

## Radio-Internet Hotspot Transceiver (Multidisciplinary Senior Design)

- Worked as a team leader to complete self-appointed tasks
- Completed final PCB design, layout, assembly and test (It worked!)
- Device acted as an audio bridge between RF and the Allstar radio network
- Completed entire design process from customer requirements to prototyping and handoff

# Bluetooth Split Mechanical Keyboard (In Progress)

- Designed symmetrical split keyboard PCB to reduce PCB cost
- Keyboard PCB acts as mechanical plate to secure the keystwitches
- Each side of the keyboard has an identical circuit to use for the right or left
- Utilizes a Bluetooth capable microcontroller instead of a Bluetooth module
- Currently developing software, will include master/slave arbitration, USB connectivity

## Wideband Oxygen Sensor Controller

- Designed, built and programmed sensor controller that measured oxygen concentration
- Incorporated PID loops to keep a sensor at a constant temperature and oxygen concentration
- Could have been calibrated to measure accurate oxygen concentrations

## Assembly Language Pong Game

- Created a 1.5D Pong game for a school project in HCS12 assembly
- Required HCS12 assembly, PWM, ADC and digital output

# Various Other Projects:

RIT Rocket Initiative power board 3D Printer modifications

Many input thermistor controller (in progress) DSLR 12V battery eliminator (in progress)

AWARDS & SKILLS

Eagle Scout

A+ Certified

Languages & Software:

Python

ARM & HCS12 Assembly Linux

Kicad PCB Design Software DOORs Requirement Management Networking Equipment Configuration VHDL

**EDUCATION** Bachelor of Science, Computer Engineering

Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester NY, Graduated May 2017

Data Communication and Networks Digital IC Design Digital System Design Cyborg Theory

HW & SW Design for Crypto Applications Assembly Language Programming

**PERSONAL** Working towards pilot licence Camping and hiking INTERESTS Amateur Radio Extra Film photography

Motorcycle and automobile repair Licked thing that was in space AND HOBBIES